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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR § 1.114 for the above-identified application.

### A. Instructions and Averments

- Enter the Amendment under 37 CFR § 1.116, previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_.
- This application is entitled to Small Entity Status under 37 CFR §§ 1.9 and 1.27.

B. Enclosed

- A Preliminary Amendment for entry in the present application.
- To render this RCE timely filed, enclosed is a Petition for Three-Month Extension of Time.
- A Certificate of Mailing by "Express Mail" certifying a filing date for the enclosed application by use of Express Mail Label No. EV302233743US.

C. Payments

- Form PTO-2038 submitting payment in the amount of \$1,208.00 is enclosed to cover the following fees:
  - the \$733 RCE filing fee pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.17(e); and
  - the \$475.00 petition fee for the three-month extension of time.
- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-3178.
  - Any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR § 1.16.
  - Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR § 1.17.
- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees during the pendency of this application or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-3178.
  - Any filing fees under 37 CFR § 1.16 for presentation of extra claims.
  - Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR § 1.17.

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X A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

Please address all future correspondence in connection with the above-identified patent application to the attention of the undersigned.

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